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NO CHANGE IN HIS MAJESTY'S CONDITION AFTER QUIET DAY

POLITICAL CRISIS EXCITEMENT IN PARIS

Radical Socialist Party
Leaders Meet

M. DALADIER ELECTED NEW
PRESIDENT OF COMMITTEE

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

In an atmosphere of tense excitement heightened by the news that the Radical-Socialist Ministers, contrary to M. Herriot's recommendation to remain in the Cabinet, also intend to resign, 1,400 delegates from all parts of France assembled yesterday afternoon for the plenary session of the executive committee of the Radical-Socialist Party.

Before the beginning of the session a meeting had been held of the presidents and secretaries-general of the departmental branches, at which a resolution was adopted by 42 votes to 14, with two abstentions, expressing the satisfaction of the meeting at the resignation of all the Radical-Socialist Ministers from the Cabinet and regret at M. Herriot's refusal to re-assume the leadership of the party. This resolution will be submitted to the executive committee at the termination of the political debate.

PRESIDENT ELECTED

The first act of the committee was to choose a new president, and M. Daladier, who was the only candidate, was almost unanimously elected, despite the noisy protests by a few adherents of M. Herriot, who on M. Daladier's proposal had been elected honorary president of the party and made a speech defending the attitude taken up by the Radical-Socialist Ministers hitherto in the Laval Cabinet and repeating his recommendation for them to remain in the Government for the present, since if they resigned a "serious Government crisis would be unavoidable."—Trans-Ocean Service.

APPEAL CASE IN SHANGHAI

Spencer's Plea
Upheld

Shanghai, To-day.

The full court sustained the appeal of William Henry Spencer against conviction for forgery by a Hong Kong jury, based on two altered banknotes found in his coat pocket, the coat having been used by another person besides the owner. The case was dismissed.—Reuter.

KIPLING TO LIE IN POET'S CORNER

Funeral Fixed For
Next Thursday

London, To-day.

The late Mr. Rudyard Kipling will be buried in the Poet's Corner at Westminster Abbey at noon on Thursday next.—Reuter.

DEATH OF MAJOR-GENERAL JOHN BIDDLE

San Antonio, Texas, To-day.—The death has occurred of Major-General John Biddle.—Reuter.



The principal conversations at Geneva will take place in the background during the next few days. M. Laval, the French Prime Minister, is anxious to meet Mr. Anthony Eden, above, the British Foreign Minister, who arrived at Geneva this morning.

GERMAN CHURCH DISPUTE

Responsible Minister
Explains

ACTION OF THE STATE
DEFENDED

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.

In an interview published yesterday by the "Niedersächsische Tageszeitung," the Minister for Church Affairs, Herr Kerl, declared that the National-Socialist State strongly advocated keeping religious belief active, since religious persons formed the foundation on which the State was being reconstructed. A National-Socialist had to be religious, and had to respect the religious convictions of others, but the form his own religious belief took was left to his discretion.

All assertions that the practice of religion had been hindered in any form whatever were monstrous slanders—nothing of that kind had happened anywhere since the assumption of power by the National-Socialist Party. The "German faith movement" was not an atheistic movement; in any case it had nothing to do with the National-Socialist Party.

UNBIASED ATTITUDE. The attitude of the State towards religious confessions was quite unbiased; nevertheless it had to see that discipline and order prevailed in ecclesiastical life. That was why the Government objected to public religious assemblies outside the church, since in their view religion was not a political article for mass consumption.

The dispute between the confessions was purely negative; the positive action was to emulate in practice the ideals and life of the founder of the Christian Church in order to serve Him through deeds in a true Christian spirit. Referring to the schism within the Protestant Church, the Minister stated that the German Evangelical Church was itself known to be disunited in its beliefs. The dispute had assumed such bizarre forms through each party's propaganda.

WEATHER REPORT

Changes in the anti-cyclone are slight. It continues to cover China and the neighbouring seas, pressure remaining highest over the Lower Yangtze Valley. North-east winds, fresh, fine, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

PRIVY COUNCIL SUMMONED ILLNESS LIKELY TO BE PROLONGED

TOUCHING INCIDENT OUTSIDE
PALACE

London, To-day.

The King's illness continues to evoke world-wide interest and sympathy, while special prayers for his recovery have been offered at churches throughout the Empire. The King of Italy requested the Ambassador in London, Signor Gandi, to make a direct enquiry, conveying wishes for a speedy recovery. The Emperor of Japan and the Kings of Bulgaria and Belgium sent similar messages.

The shadow of the King's illness has fallen heavily over Geneva, where it is pointed out that the King's interest in the League has always been sincere and sympathetic. Meanwhile the welcome news that the King, in spite of a restless night, maintained his strength was followed by reports that he had had several hours' sleep during the day.

Hundreds of people waited in the snow and read a statement posted at noon yesterday at Sandringham, states Reuter's special correspondent, and a continuous pilgrimage of motorists, cyclists and pedestrians continued to pass through the day.

T.R.H. the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York left Sandringham for London yesterday morning, but returned last night. The Prince of Wales is to see the Prime Minister, and it is understood that if the King's illness is prolonged, as was the case in 1928-29, Councillors of State will be appointed to deal with State matters.

A bulletin states that His Majesty the King passed a quiet day yesterday, and that there was no change in his condition. The bulletin was issued at 7.45 p.m.

While the King slept peacefully the Queen and the Princess Royal went out for a walk in the grounds in the afternoon, and the Queen left the house for the first time since the King's illness developed last Friday.

The Queen carried a walking-stick and earnestly talked to the Princess as she paced the gravel paths between snow-covered lawns. Both were heavily wrapped up and remained in the grounds for half an hour.

Reuter learns that tentative steps are being taken to prepare for the summoning of the Privy Council at Sandringham if it is decided that the appointment of Councillors of State is necessary.

Privy Council Summoned

Later: The Privy Council has been summoned to meet at Sandringham House this morning to appoint a Council of State to act during the King's illness. It will be attended by the Home Secretary (Sir John Simon), the Lord Chancellor (Lord Halsbury) and the Clerk of the Council (Sir Maurice Sankey). It is expected that the meeting will be held in a room adjacent to the King's. The three doctors stayed at Sandringham all night long. No further bulletins were issued last night.

NO GRAVE CHANGE

Later: It is understood that the meeting of the Privy Council should not necessarily be regarded as an indication of any grave change or that any such change is expected in the King's condition. But rather that it means that the illness is likely to be prolonged. The Councillors of State will be empowered to act for the King, who will conduct to-day's meetings from his sick-bed, with the Councillors assembled in an adjoining room, as was the case for the similar Council during His Majesty's 1928-29 illness.—Reuter.

Touching Incident Outside Palace

Later: The Prince of Wales and Duke of York have postponed their return to Sandringham until to-day. One of the most touching incidents during the day which marked loyal devotion outside the Palace was the singing of the national anthem outside the gates by three small girls.

Other Privy Councillors who will attend at Sandringham to-day are the Lord President of the Council (Mr. Ramsay MacDonald), Lord Wigram, Lord Dawson, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York and the Duke of Kent. The probable Councillors of State will include Her Majesty the Queen, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Mr. Stanley Baldwin and the Lord Chancellor (Lord Halsbury).

The Council will be called with the King's cognisance and the Councillors will be empowered to sign all State documents on behalf of the King.

Hundreds of telegrams of sympathy and enquiry were received at Sandringham yesterday, the Queen sending hundreds more in reply.

CONDITION UNCHANGED

Later: It was learned unofficially at 2 a.m. that the King had had a little sleep, and that his condition was unchanged.

Archbishop Joins Princes

London: His Majesty's condition was reported unchanged at 7.45 p.m. yesterday in an announcement which reported a quiet day. Unless there is a grave change no further bulletins will be issued until noon to-day. The Queen is spending much time at the bedside of His Majesty, and the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Kent and the Princess Royal, who are also in attendance, were joined yesterday by the Archbishop of Canterbury, who is the King's oldest and closest friend. The Prince of Wales journeyed to London for a consultation with



The return of General Plutarco Calles, former President of Mexico, to Mexico City, after his political exile in Los Angeles, created a tense situation in Mexican politics and resulted in the removal from office of several high officials, who were on hand to welcome General Calles home. General Calles is reported to be a virtual prisoner of military guards, because of the fear in the present regime that the former Dictator may provoke a crisis.



Manley O. Hudson, Benja professor of international law at Harvard University, is the nominee for the World Court Judge to succeed Frank B. Kellogg, who resigned.

the Prime Minister with reference to the constitutional steps to be taken, including the appointment of a Council of State, should the illness be prolonged, and an hour after his departure the Lord Chancellor joined the Premier. The three physicians, Lord Dawson, Sir Stanley Hewitt and Sir Frederick Williams, have in silence prepared for emergencies. Press cables indicate world anxiety. The heads of all the States have sent sympathetic messages, while the churches of all denominations throughout the world have offered special prayers, while in America the President of the United States and four generations of Roosevelt's attended morning service. British Wireless Service.

BULLETINS ISSUED

London: Yesterday's bulletin was as follows: "The King has passed a quiet day. There is no change in His Majesty's condition."

An earlier announcement was made at Sandringham at 11.40 a.m.: "In spite of a restless night, His Majesty the King has maintained his strength."

The Prince of Wales, and the Duke of York returned to London from Sandringham yesterday. The Prince called at No. 10, Downing Street, yesterday afternoon and remained with the Prime Minister. (Continued on Page 22)

LOAN FOR NEGUS AGREEMENT READY

U.S. Banking Syndicate
Involved

\$5,000,000 FOR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

An agreement under which an American banking syndicate will grant the Abyssinian Government a \$5,000,000 loan for economic development is said to be ready to be signed, according to the Paris edition of the "New York Herald-Tribune," which claims that the loan has been arranged by the American financier Chertok, whose name has been repeatedly mentioned in recent months in connection with the alleged acquisition of valuable concessions in Abyssinia.

The paper declares that the loan is to be largely used for the construction of a railway connecting Abyssinia with the Sudan, thus indirectly providing an outlet to the Mediterranean.—Trans-Ocean Service.

CONVERSATIONS AT GENEVA

Thorny Questions
Shelved

Geneva, To-day.

It is unlikely that M. Laval will take a conspicuous part in the discussion of the Council in the next couple of days, which will not deal directly with the Italo-Abyssinian or other thorny questions. The principal conversations, however, will take place in the background. M. Laval is anxious to meet Mr. Anthony Eden, who is arriving this morning. Mr. Stanley Bruce, High Commissioner in London for Australia, had his first experience as Chairman of the Council.—Reuter.

FULL MILITARY HONOURS

Funeral Of Private In
East Lancs.

The funeral took place yesterday at the Happy Valley Cemetery, with full military honours, of Private Mealand, of the 2nd Battalion, the East Lancashire Regiment, who passed away shortly after noon on Saturday after a short illness at the Military Hospital, at Bower Road.

The deceased, who was a popular member of "B" Company, had only been ill for a short period. Preceded by the Band and Drums and the Firing Party, which was drawn from the deceased's Company, the hearse was followed by the entire "B" Company and officers of the Battalion.

KWANGTUNG DELEGATION RETURNS

Shanghai, To-day.—The 50 student educators from Kwangtung who attended the Nanking Conference left for Canton this morning aboard the Hai Chen.

GERMAN WAR VETERANS

Deputation On Visit
to England

MET BY BRITISH LEGION
OFFICIALS

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

London, To-day.

A deputation of German war veterans arrived at 4 p.m. yesterday at Victoria station, where they were greeted by Major-General Frederick Maurice, President of the British Legion, and the Secretary-General, Major Fetherstone-Godley. General Sir Ian Hamilton, Major Crossfield and other leading officials of the British Legion. Among the Germans present to welcome their fellow-countrymen was the Ambassador, Baron von Hoesch.

As the train steamed into the station arms were presented by the British Legion guard of honour, which was reviewed by the members of the German deputation after greetings had been exchanged with British Legion officials.

The first action of the German deputation on landing at Dover was to send the Prince of Wales the following telegram: "Our first thoughts on setting foot on British soil concern the health of His Majesty the King. We request Your Royal Highness to convey our wishes to His Majesty."—Trans-Ocean Service.

CHINESE VESSEL MISSING

Anxiety Felt At
Shanghai

Shanghai, To-day.

Anxiety is felt at the fate of the 30 people on board the Tung-feng from Amoy, which has been missing since January 15 off the coast of Fukien. A Kiteboat with 10 people aboard was sighted on Saturday by a vessel which was unable to effect a rescue on account of the heavy seas.—Reuter.

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BRIDGE NOTES

Find The Setting
Trick
By Ely Culbertson

The first most important consideration in defensive play is always to find the setting tricks. In seeking to establish these tricks, every possible precaution is taken. Good defensive play is largely a matter of careful analysis which leads to reconstruction of unseen hands and a campaign based upon the probable nature of these hands.

A play which is not obvious but which should be learned by every player caused the defeat of declarer's contract in the following hand:

North Dealer
North-South vulnerable

S-J-6-3
H-8-5
D-8-7-4-2
C-Q-J-5

S-A-10
H-10-7-6-4
D-K-J-10-9-5
C-K-6

S-K-Q-5-4
H-K-9-2
D-6
C-A-10-9-7-3

S-9-8-7-2
H-A-Q-J-3
D-A-8
C-8-4-2

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs).
North East South West
Pass 1C (1) Pass (2) 1D
Pass 1S (3) Pass 2NT
Pass

1.—In most cases three honour-tricks are required for an opening bid, except when the hand contains a rebiddable suit. An exception is made, however, in the case of hands which are strong in the major suits.

2.—Because of his vulnerability, South must be chary of over-calling.

3.—Despite the minimum nature of his hand, East must show his second biddable suit when it can be done at the range of one.

In spite of West's diamond bid, North chose the four of diamonds as his opening lead. South won the trick with the Ace. South now could hardly consider a diamond continuation because West was marked with a five-card suit and it was very unlikely the setting tricks could be found in that suit.

The logical shift was therefore to hearts. But in leading hearts South had to consider that five tricks were necessary to defeat the contract. Since dummy had hearts stopped, the contract could not be defeated unless North could find an entry. If North had an entry that would be a second trick, and if three heart tricks could then be assured, the game would be saved. To take care of all these possibilities, South led the three of hearts rather than one of his honours. This dummy was allowed to win with the nine.

West now counted his tricks and found that he could win three in spades, two in clubs and one in diamonds, in addition to the heart trick he had already won. Two additional winners were required and they could be established in either the club or the diamond suit.

Guessing the heart situation, West sought to establish clubs, hoping he could duck a round of that suit to South and thus keep North out of the lead. While he could have established diamonds more easily, it would have been necessary to let North in; whereas this could be avoided if South held either of the missing club honours.

Unfortunately, North held both the Queen and Jack of clubs and could not be kept out of the lead. When finally he won a club trick, he led his last remaining heart. Dummy had been reduced to the doubleton King of hearts, which made South's Ace Queen and Jack all good. With the five tricks thus won, North and South defeated three, notrump.

SPEAKER'S ESTATE SOLD

Capt. the Hon. E. A. FitzRoy, Speaker of the House of Commons since 1928, has sold his well-known agricultural and sporting estate, Foxhill Cottage Farm, West Haddon, Northants. The farm is of 325 acres, together with the lodge and two cottages.

FRIENDSHIP
BY RADIO:
MET AT SEA

ECHO OF ARCTIC
EXPEDITION

MEETING IN MELBOURNE
AFTER FOUR YEARS

Melbourne.—Two men who made friends by wireless four years ago when they were hundreds of miles apart, have met one another by a strange coincidence at sea.

While Sir Hubert Wilkins's submarine Nautilus crept through the ice-bound seas of the Arctic in 1931, Mr. J. H. Lundbeck, an electrician on board, kept in radio touch with Mr. A. W. Albright in New York.

The two men formed a warm "wireless friendship"—though they had never met. Now the ship's electrician and the wireless operator of the steamer New Orleans, when it arrived in Melbourne recently, discovered that they are the two invisible friends of Arctic memories.

JACK HYLTON'S
BAND

U.S. Ban On Fifteen
Members

Fifteen members of Jack Hylton's band, who left England some time ago for a tour of the United States, returned to Plymouth recently without having played a single tune apart from a concert broadcast while they were crossing the Atlantic.

When the band reached New York Mr. Hylton was notified that English musicians would not be allowed to play, and consequently these members returned home. Mr. Hylton is making his tour conducting an American band, in which are six of his own players who did not come under the ban.

"FAILED" AT 15

Boy's Letter Before
Suicide

"My last words are: 'I tried, but I failed,'" wrote Walter David Lloyd, aged 15, who gassed himself at Farnborough (Hants) branch of the National Children's Home and Orphanage. In a letter to the headmaster, read at the inquest, he said: "I did this because everybody is going against me, and I am fed up with this world. Please will you give my garden to—(another boy)."

The jury returned a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind, and said the evidence showed that the officials at the home had done everything in their power to make Lloyd's life happy.

KAYE DON FINED

Speeding In Built-Up
Area

Kaye Ernest Don, the racing motorist, Oak Dene, Weybridge, was fined 30s at Kingston-on-Thames for exceeding the 30 m.p.h. speed limit in a built-up area at Kingston Hill.

P.C. Taylor said the defendant's speed varied from 42 to 44 miles an hour. When told his speed and that he would be reported with a view to prosecution, defendant replied: "I was following the other cars; my speedometer only showed 32 miles an hour."

Beggar With Six-Roomed
House And £4 A Week

When Thomas Green, aged 76, a house-owner, appeared before the North London magistrates recently on a remanded charge of begging it was found that he owned a six-roomed house, which he bought seven years ago for £535.

He let four rooms for 14s a week, and occupied the remaining two. He received an allowance of £4 a week from a step-



Wise-cracking Patsy Kelly, as she appears in "Thanks a Million," which will be shown at the King's Theatre next Friday.

JEWS MAY
BE SETTLED
IN SIBERIA

America Negotiates
With Russia

EVERY FACILITY TO BE
EXTENDED THEM

Washington.—The prospect of being sent to Siberia arises before emigrant Jews as the result of a conference between an American committee for Jewish settlement and the Soviet Ambassador, M. Troyanovsky.

The journey to Siberia would hold none of its Tsarist terrors, however, for the plan under discussion was the settlement of non-Russian Jews in Birobidjan, Eastern Siberia.

There, according to the Embassy, they would enjoy the same privileges as native settlers of this district, including membership of collective farms, immediate employment in State or co-operative industrial enterprises and free allotment of land for homes.

Members of the committee thanked the Ambassador for facilities already accorded in this area to non-Russian Jews.

"SMOKERS' FRIEND"

Made The Cigarette
Lighter Possible

DIED IN PRAGUE PRACTICALLY
UNKNOWN

Tribute to the scientist to whom we owe the cigarette lighter and the modern incandescent gas mantle was paid at the Chemical Society's meeting in London recently, when Dr. S. I. Levy delivered the Brauner memorial lecture in London.

Brauner was born at Prague in 1855, and died there early this year, practically unknown to the public, despite his long stay at Owen's College, Manchester. He devoted his life to researches into the group of substances known as rare earths, and to the development of the earlier work of the Russian, Mendeleeff, who was the first to determine how many elements could exist.

It was these researches that gave the world the cerium alloy, used in the manufacture of flints to cigarette lighters, and thorium, used in gas mantles.

OLD ABBEY GRANARY

Foundations of walls of an old granary of Westminster Abbey have been found during the erection of the boarding house for Westminster School.

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"HERE'S TO ROMANCE"
KING'S AND ALHAMBRA
THEATRES

The golden tenor voice that has already thrilled millions, now delights new legions of music-lovers and motion picture fans as Nino Martini, the handsome operatic sensation, makes his initial film appearance in Jesse L. Lasky's "Here's To Romance."

Starred with a supporting cast that includes Genevieve Tobin, Anita Louise, Mrs. Schumann-Heink and Reginald Denny, Martini enacts the leading role in this delightful picture of an operatic tenor's private life and loves.

Immortal arias from "La Tosca," "Pagliacci" and "Cavalleria Rusticana" are included in the repertoire of Martini, who also sings two new hits by Con Conrad and Herb Magidson.

The plot of the picture is a light-hearted romance, with Miss Tobin and Anita Louise vying for Martini's affections.

"DR. SOCRATES"—QUEEN'S
THEATRE

In this picture Paul Muni plays the part of a once famous physician whose nerves have been shattered by the death of his fiancée, and who tries to bury himself in a small town.

In this he is successful until one night a notorious bank bandit forces him at the point of a gun to dress a wound he has received in a battle with the police.

The bandit and his hand terrorize the surrounding territory, rob the bank and shoot up the town. Supporting Muni is Ann Dvorak, who plays the part of a hitch-hiker whom he cares for when she is injured. By a clever ruse Muni manages to bring the gangsters to justice.

"WINGS IN THE DARK"—
STAR THEATRE

"Wings In The Dark" is a love story laid against the timely and topical plot of a pilot who dares death in the perfection of "blind-flying." It stars beautiful Myrna Loy and Cary Grant as a pair of flying daredevils.

And although it is impossible to gainsay the excellence of Miss Loy's recent pictures, she seems to excel even the best of her past performances in her breezy, down-to-earth and sympathetic role in "Wings in the Dark."

"MAD LOVE"—ORIENTAL
THEATRE

Thrills and mystery are rampant, and laughs and romance play hide and seek with creepy chills in an fantastic happenings in "Mad Love," a new drama of bewildering which introduces an amazing new personality to the screen in Peter Lorre.

Lorre, the European star, makes his debut in films as a mad surgeon, working uneasy medical magic, performing bizarre experiments, and figuring in an amazing plot, and he is supported by Frances Drake, Colin Clive, Edward Brophy and Isabel Jewell.

"WOMAN WANTED"—
MAJESTIC THEATRE

Joel McCrea and Maureen O'Sullivan co-star in this picture, which tells the story of a girl who is falsely accused of committing a murder, and a young lawyer who very nearly loses his own life in trying to prove her innocent.

The picture is full of thrills and gun-play and good acting performances are given all round.

JACK BUCHANAN IN A
"STRAIGHT" PART

After a long career in light musical comedy Jack Buchanan is to have a "straight" role—comedy verging on drama—in a new film version of "The Triumph of the Scarlet Pimpernel."

Mr. Buchanan will play Sir Percy Blakeney opposite an American star who has not yet been engaged. "The Triumph of the Scarlet Pimpernel" will be the first production of Herbert Wilcox Productions Ltd. and Mr. Wilcox himself will direct.



TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong-Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s).

"JAZZ RECITAL BY THE
CONTINENTAL TRIO"
Z.B.K. PROGRAMME

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5-7 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.
7-7.17 p.m.—Yocal Gems.
H.M.S. Pinetree (Gibber & Sullivan).
Duchess of Damirig (Caryl).
Light Opera Company.
7.17-8.30 p.m.—"The Three Men" Suite (Eric Coates).
7.30-8 p.m.—From the Studio.
Selections by "The Continental Trio."

Programme
1. Accents on Youth.
2. In the Middle of a Kiss.
3. Piano Solo.
4. Lonely Gondolier.
5. I Live for Love.
6. When the leaves had the trees good-bye.
7. A Piano Solo.
8. You are my lucky star.
8.30-9 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report, Closing Local Stock Quotations.

9-11 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.
11 p.m.—Close Down.
8.05-10 p.m.—European Programme from Z.B.K. on a Frequency of 640 kilocycles.
8.05-8.30 p.m.—Folkie Tunes.
Big Broadcast of 1935—Selection.
Every Night at Night—Selection.
Lullaby of Broadway ("Gold Digger's of 1935").
The Boerell Sisters.
Lain's Back in Town ("Broadway Gondolier").
George Scott-Wood.
One Night of Love ("One Night of Love").

Master Robert Harris (Boy Soprano).
Roberts—Selection.
Arthur Young and Reginald Foxley.
Through the Doorway of Dreams ("Big Broadcast of 1935").
Jessica Cragonette (Soprano).
Top Hat—Selection.
George Scott-Wood.
8.30-9 p.m.—Orchestral Music.
Overture—Pigali's Cave (Mendelssohn).
Cossack Dance ("Mazepa").
Carnival—Overture (Dvorak).
Mazepa (Auber).
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9.15-9.40 p.m.—Song Memories.
Old Times.
The P. Four.
50 Year of Song.
Billy Mason Memories.
9.40-10 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Acclamations Waltz (Waldteufel).
The Grenadiers Waltz (Waldteufel).
My Darling Waltz ("The Gipsy Baron"—J. Strauss).
Blonde or Brunette (Waldteufel).
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Sporting Page

H.K. INTERPORT HOCKEY XI WILL POSSESS SOUND ATTACK

BUT DEFENCE NOT SO SURE

NEIGHBOUR AND NOLAN DO WELL

INSIDE-RIGHT PROBLEM

(By "REFEREE")

YESTERDAY'S hockey trial proved quite conclusively that Hong Kong will be able to field a really good attack against Macao next Saturday, but that the defence is not by any means perfect.

Awtar Singh chose the wrong day to be off form, and I shall not be in the least bit surprised if Sub-Lt. Wraith of the Navy or Sanargat Singh of the Radio does not replace him at inside-right, thus making the Hong Kong forward line G. E. R. Divett, Sub-Lt. Wraith or Sanargat Singh, G. Singh, Lt. Burch and Lal Singh.

The half-back line should be M. H. Hassan, W. A. Reed and Alaf Din, while the full-backs will probably be A. E. P. Guest and Lt. Comdr. Broome, although both were unimpressive yesterday. Of two poor goalkeepers on display yesterday Ramzan was the better, and will probably be selected.

Saturday's Soccer At A Glance

HONG KONG 7	THE REST
UNIVERSITY 2	KOWLOON
EASTERN 2	RECREIO
RADIO 1	CLUB
CHINESE P. 9	RAILWAY
EAST LANC. 4	AIR FORCE

SATURDAY'S GOALSCORERS

INTERPORT TRIAL	
Lee Wai-tong (Interport Team)	1
Talbot (Interport Team)	1
Leonard (Interport Team)	1
B. Gosano (Interport Team)	1
Barter (The Rest)	1
Ward (The Rest)	1

SECOND DIVISION	
Lammert (Club)	1
Gilchrist (Club)	1
Fowler (Club)	1
A. Aziz (University)	1
C. W. Tam (University)	1
G. Winch (Kowloon)	1
Cheng Sing-hong (Eastern)	1
Sung Ling-sing (Eastern)	1
Campos (Recreio)	1

THIRD DIVISION	
Kong Hing (Chinese Police)	1
Lee Kam (Chinese Police)	1
Fan Kwai-tao (Chinese Police)	1
Aldridge (Air Force)	1
Murphy (East Lanes)	1
Bowker (East Lanes)	1
Tuley (East Lanes)	1
Hardy (East Lanes)	1

Yesterday's Results At A Glance

FIRST DIVISION	
S. CHINA 'B' 4	R.A. (Lyemun)
SECOND DIVISION	
R.A.S.C. & R.A.O.C.	1
ATHLETIC 2	S. CHINA
THIRD DIVISION	
LIGA 0	FUSILIERS

YESTERDAY'S GOALSCORERS

FIRST DIVISION	
Edmunds (R.A.) (Lyemun)	1
Young Shui-yick (S. China 'B')	1
Lai Shui-wing (S. China 'B')	1
Ng Po-kin (S. China 'B')	1
SECOND DIVISION	
O'Donnell (East Lanes)	1
Ratcliffe (East Lanes)	1
Duffield (R.A.S.C. & R.A.O.C.)	1
To Wai-hing (S. China)	1
Kwok Yan-loy (S. China)	1

M. EL ARCULLI 137 NOT OUT

PEREIRA ALSO IN FINE FORM

M. el Arculli was in brilliant form with the bat yesterday when he scored 137 not out (including 27 boundaries) for the Indian Recreation Club against the Graduate Association at Soojumpoo. The Indians won by 7 wickets.

F. D. Pereira and Arculli put on 98 runs for the last wicket (undefeated), the former hitting 11 fours in his half century. Graduate 110 (D. Hing 33, F. D. Pereira 3 for 6).

Indians 222 (M. el Arculli 137 not out, F. D. Pereira 50 not out).



Edmunds, above, the diminutive Lyemun forward, gave a sparkling display against South China 'B' yesterday in their First Division League soccer encounter.

EAST LANC. SECURE WELL EARNED WIN

COMBINED CORPS COLLAPSE

"HAT TRICK" FOR O'DONNELL

Plenty of good football featured the soccer game between the Combined Corps of the R.A.S.C. and R.A.O.C. and the East Lanes, when they met in the Second Division of the soccer League at Chatham Road yesterday afternoon. The result being a win for the East Lanes by 4 goals to 1.

The most outstanding thing about the game was the manner in which the Corps' team held their opponents all through the first half and then literally fell away after the interval, giving the thrustful East Lanes many more scoring chances than the score indicates.

In the first half the play of Duffield, O'Brien and Muir was good to watch, their short-passing completely baffling the East Lanes; and they were decidedly unfortunate not to have taken the lead before the interval. On the other hand, the East Lanes adopted long-passing methods from one wing to the other.

Goalless First Half
No goals were scored in the first half, but five minutes after the East Lanes took the lead through O'Donnell, who fired in a surprise shot after Ratcliff had struck the crossbar. The equaliser came three minutes after, Beasley, who had moved up the field, beating Crooks and sending across a superb pass to Duffield, who had no difficulty in slipping the ball past Williams.

O'Donnell gave the East Lanes the lead once again with a simple header, and scored his "hat trick" shortly afterwards with a flashing shot from a grand pass by Griffin. Ratcliff added the fourth when he ran in and intercepted Mathers' pass.

The East Lanes were easily the better team in the second half, and had it not been for grand work on the part of Beasley and McQueen, Brothwell would have been called upon more often than he was.

15 Players Invited To Stand By

Following yesterday's Interport Hockey trial at King's Park the following 15 players have been invited to attend the Naval ground at King's Park on Saturday next: Lt. Comdr. Garwood (Navy); A. E. P. Guest (Radio); Lt. Wraith (Navy); Lt. Burch (Navy); J. Carey (Club) and Pte. Nolan (Army).

Possibles (Colours): — Ramzan (K.I.T.C.); Lt. Comdr. Grah (Navy) and Kishan Singh (Army); Pte. Neighbour (Army); D. Brown (Army) and Parker (Police); G. E. R. Divett (Club); Awtar Singh (K.I.T.C.); Gurbachan Singh (Radio); Sanargat Singh (Radio) and Lal Singh (Army).

The Colony players are requested to turn out for a practice (Continued at Foot of Next Col.)

STRAGGLERS WIN

In the Indian Recreation Club Sunday Cricket League yesterday, the "Stragglers" (LHO) scored a comfortable win over the Rhodas (32).

ENTRIES FOR MAIN RACES AT ANNUAL MEET

25 Nominations For Derby

23 FOR AUSTRALIAN CLASSIC

The following are the entries for the principal races at the Annual Race Meeting, to be held at the Valley next month.

Maiden Stakes
Amberley (C. B. Brown), Bear Claw (Mrs. Dunbar), Boole Bay (L. Dunbar), Dawn Star (Kong Bros.), Donovan (En Tong Sen), Estray (G. Tinson), Forest View (Lan), Gay Star (Kong Bros.), Glorious View (Lan), Gorgeous View (Lan), Honey-moon Eve (Eve), King's Lead (Late Guiding Star) (Dynasty), King's Sceptre (Dynasty), Laughing Girl (Limburg), Magnificent View (Lan), Miracle (Li and Lis), Old Star (Kong Bros.), Rosemary (En Tong Sen), Royal Consort (Harbad), Royal Highness (Harbad), Royal Wedding Eve (Eve), Silversmith (Why), Splendid View (Lan), Thunder Bay (L. Dunbar), and Type (V. M. Grayburn).

25 Entries:
Sydney Maiden Stakes
Able Warrior (Patahan), A Grand Time (Li Po Chun), Blandford (En Tong Sen), Brenta (Mrs. Seth), Canberra Girl (Weetoo), Centre Court (Tasma), Double Finesse (Pan), Electron (J. E. D.), Gold Dragon (L. T. F.), Holiday Eve (Eve), Honey (Dan), Lancashire Lad (Lancashire), Merry Time (Miss Li Po Chun), Moonlight (C. Gris), Perfect Day (Chan Bros.), Ranger (Johnson and Alabaster), Sable (Bojoo), Shik-O-Fox (Miss Y. Shenton), Silver Streak (Leong Kwok Cheong), Stem Ginger (Wong and Chan), Strathroy (J. F. Macgregor), The Dublin (Hall and Shenton), Tinsmith (Young Bros.), Trojan (Li and Lis), Violet Queen (Chin Cheong Fan), Ye Ho (Quartermaster), and Zodiac (K. W. Fung).

27 Entries:
Balloos (Pinder), Blue Ribbon (Ho and Won), Bushbridge (Mrs. Pearce), Cassius (British), Celebration Time (Li Po Chun), Gold Sovereign (S. S. Li), Gumsniff (Why), Harbourn (Broadway), Hellbender (Halestead), Heriot (G. Tinson), Hopscotch (Sevens), Hummer (V. M. Grayburn), Ideal Day (Chan Bros.), Judea (Li Fook Yim), Lancashire Loom (Lancashire), Looksmith (Young Bros.), Merry Jester (Chin), Middlehorn (Scottia), Mountain View (Lan), Ocean View (Lan), Paymaster (Wong Sei Ngan), Peter Davey (Widdowson), Potstick (Mrs. Dunbar), Public Hero No. 1 (Dr. J. Chin Kee), Rose (Kong Sen), Royal Consort (C. N. K.), Satan (K. W. Fung), Shamrock (Ulster), Stopwatch (Early Birds), Strathlain (J. F. Macgregor), The Gorilla (Teater and Abraham), The Hero (Kwok Hin Wan), Unicorn (L. W. F.), and Wild Cat (Ling).

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Hong Kong Derby
Amberley (C. B. Brown), Bear Claw (Mrs. Dunbar), Boole Bay (L. Dunbar), Dawn Star (Kong Bros.), Donovan (En Tong Sen), Forest View (Lan), Gay Star (Kong Bros.), Glorious View (Lan), Honey-moon Eve (Eve), King's Lead (Late Guiding Star) (Dynasty), King's Sceptre (Dynasty), Laughing Girl (Limburg), Magnificent View (Lan), Miracle (Li and Lis), Old Star (Kong Bros.), Rosemary (En Tong Sen), Royal Consort (Harbad), Royal Highness (Harbad), Royal Wedding Eve (Eve), Silversmith (Why), Splendid View (Lan), Thunder Bay (L. Dunbar), and Type (V. M. Grayburn).

25 Entries:
Rooty-Hill Derby
Able Warrior (Patahan), A Grand Time (Li Po Chun), Blandford (En Tong Sen), Brenta (Mrs. Seth), Canberra Girl (Weetoo), Centre Court (Tasma), Double Finesse (Pan), Electron (J. E. D.), Gold Dragon (L. T. F.), Holiday Eve (Eve), Honey (Dan), Lancashire Lad (Lancashire), Merry Time (Miss Li Po Chun), Moonlight (C. Gris), Perfect Day (Chan Bros.), Ranger (Johnson and Alabaster), Sable (Bojoo), Silver Streak (Leong Kwok Cheong), Strathroy (J. F. Macgregor), The Dublin (Hall and Shenton), Tinsmith (Young Bros.), Violet Queen (Chin Cheong Fan), Ye Ho (Quartermaster), and Zodiac (K. W. Fung).

TO TOUR SWEDEN

Wolverhampton Wanderers F.C. are to visit Sweden towards the end of May to play three matches in Gothenburg on May 22, 26, and 27, and two matches in Stockholm, one against the famous A.I.K. and the other against a team drawn from various Stockholm clubs.



A sensational run of 61 gave Jimmy Caras of Wilmington, Delaware, victory over Edwin Rudolph, the title-holder, in the world pocket billiards championship matches in New York, necessitating a play-off for the crown.

SOUTH CHINA OVERWHELM ATHLETIC BUT ONLY SCORE TWICE

LOSERS' WORST DISPLAY THIS SEASON

(By "ROVER")

South China experienced but little difficulty in capturing both points from the Athletic at Caroline Hill yesterday, winning their Second Division soccer encounter by two goals to nil.

Commencing with only nine men, South China still contrived to have the best of the exchanges, and when they did reach full strength they quickly took the lead.

Sammy Tsang, South China's custodian had but one shot deal with until almost the interval, a long rising drive by Ip which he cleverly put over the bar.

After 17 minutes To Wai-hing, who had continually been sending over splendid centres, placed one right in the goalmouth, and Lee, the Athletic keeper, in endeavouring to push the ball round the post, succeeded in turning it into the goal.

Exciting Exchanges
Shortly before the interval, there were exciting melees in both goalmouths, and it was only by desperate measures on the part of the respective defences that goals did not materialise.

A long pass out to Kwok Yan-loy on the left was snatched up by that player, and his terrific drive had Lee well beaten.

This completed the scoring, although South China attacked determinedly, with many fine moves being instituted by Lo Koon-ming, To Wai-hing and Kwok Yan-loy, three smart and speedy forwards.

The Athletic made many half-hearted attempts to break down the stubborn defence put up by Wong Wah-kai and Sammy Tsang, and both Chan and Lam worked tremendously hard, but without much support from the other forwards.

Two Good Defenders
Outstanding for the Athletic was their left-back, Loo, who figured almost continually in some phase of the play. His deadly tackling and prompt powerful clearances undoubtedly helped to keep the score so low. He was afforded sound support by Ip, an overworked centre-half, who tried in vain to infuse some combination into a somewhat scrappy side.

UNCONVINCING WIN FOR S. CHINA "B"

LYEMUN FRITTER AWAY OPPORTUNITIES

TEMPERS BECOME FRAYED

(By "ROVER")

SOUTH China "B" gained a very unconvincing victory over the Artillery (Lyemun) in their premier League soccer clash at Caroline Hill yesterday, scoring two goals in the last five minutes to give them a 4-2 win.

The game was not played in the best spirit, petty fouls being all too prominent, especially by the Chinese, and, with tempers rising, the not unexpected climax came when Huggins was ordered off for striking Yeung Shui-yick.

Slowness was a great fault with the Gunners. They monopolised the majority of the play as the result of worked out approach movements, but failed badly near goal.

Edmunds, a lively inside-left, scored both goals for the Artillery, and with Brown and Rivers constituted most of the threat to South China. Neither Nash nor Sparkes could make much headway against the relentless tackling of the Chinese halves, though the former found his feet during the latter part of the game, and sent across several well-placed passes.

Morton was again a tireless half-back, always in the thick of the fray, and his distributive work was as accurate as ever.

The defence gave a very sound display with Clancy and Mackrell taking the honours, and, in fact, the whole team gave a greatly improved performance, being decidedly unlikely not to have come away with at least one point.

Two Lively Forwards
South China failed to settle down until late in the game, and they owe their win to the opportunism of Yeung Shui-yick and Ng Po-kin, both of whom played fast football and were always alive to an opening. Henry Young was hardly a success at outside-left, and Lai Shui-wing, although combining well at times, must improve his shooting considerably. He failed when given several quite good chances yesterday.

Lim Tak-po kept the intermediate line working well together, and Lee Kam put in some good work at left-half, but lacked the speed for a half-back. The passing of the halves was very sound, but they appeared unusually slow in backing up an attack, leaving too much to the forwards.

Yeung In-chen was in great form at right-back, and with Pan Ka-ping an alert and capable custodian, the defence proved equal to the strongest calls made upon it.

Chinese Take Lead

The Artillery were the first to attack, and Pan, cleverly tipped a fast drive by Rivers over the bar. At the opposite end a surprise shot by Cheuk Shek-kam was well held by Mackrell, but after 10 minutes Lai Shui-wing beat Mackrell with a right-footed drive which curled into the corner of the net.

Long spells of midfield play followed, with the Artillery holding their own well, and after 30 minutes Morton placed a free-kick 40 yards out for Rivers to tap across the goal to Edmunds, who neatly diverted it into the net, placing the Gunners on level terms at the interval.

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LIGA UNLUCKY TO LOSE TO THE FUSILIERS

ONLY GOAL OF GAME A GIFT

SANTOS IN LIMELIGHT

The Liga Portuguesa was unlucky to be beaten by the only goal of the game in their Third Division soccer match against the Fusiliers at King's Park yesterday afternoon.

Clever work by both sides in midfield was marred by weak finishing, Singleton in particular missing many "sisters." The only goal of the match was given away by one of the defenders, Gomes unluckily diverting the ball past Quinn from a harmless shot by Singleton which was going wide.

C. Santos was the outstanding man on the Liga side, but his (Continued on Page 5)

"SHANGHAI MAY FAIL IN DEFENCE" — LEE WAI TONG

But Have Very Good Forward Line

INTERPORT SOCCER AND HOCKEY TEAMS LEAVE

There was a large gathering of friends and supporters on the Kowloon Wharf yesterday to bid bon-voyage to the Interport football and Ladies' hockey teams, which left the Colony last night at 9 p.m. by the Italian motor vessel Victoria, which is on her maiden voyage East.

Lee Wai-tong, skipper of the Colony soccer side, was very optimistic regarding the team's chances and said that with their excellent forward line they should perform well against the none-too-strong Shanghai defence. The goalkeeper was an entirely new player to him, but he knew of the tactics and halves and did not think they were strong enough to hold the Colony attack.

Asked about the Shanghai attack, Lee Wai-tong said it was a thrustful line, but much depended upon the support they derived from their intermediate line.

Mr. M. L. Radford, the team's manager, thought the team's chances very bright and said he had a feeling that they would be repeating the Colony's "November, 1935" effort.

Mrs. F. M. Harrop, manager of the Ladies' hockey team, had nothing to say except that they were looking forward to their encounter.

AMATEUR DIVING ASSOCIATION TO BE WOUND-UP


At a special meeting of the Amateur Diving Association in London last night, it was decided to dissolve at the end of the year and that the Amateur Swimming Association Diving Committee shall take future control of diving.

DAVIES TRANSFERRED

C. Davies, a young Welsh half-back, has been transferred by Charlton Athletic to Rextley Heath and Welles, Charlton's reserve club.

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The Father Of His Country

It had been known for some time that President Masaryk, the Grand Old Man of Czechoslovakia, was on the point of laying down the Presidency. The moment arrived last month. In his letter of resignation he wrote: "The Presidential office requires the full vigour of a man," and at 85 he found that he can no longer meet its demands. The whole world will salute him as he steps down, for the whole world admires and respects him. If any European statesman of the first rank has earned his repose, it is Masaryk; if any has deserved supremely well of his country and should be styled its Father, it is Masaryk. Without Professor Masaryk, the patriot, there would almost certainly have been no independent Czechoslovakia as we know it to-day, and again, if there had been no President Masaryk, the statesman, who would say with confidence that even if the new State had endured its democratic Parliamentary regime would have been able to survive?

Hero-worship is not much in fashion nowadays in most Parliamentary countries. That is unfortunate, for it is a strong natural instinct, though it has produced astonishing results in Italy, Poland and Germany when turned to anti-democratic uses. But the people of Czechoslovakia have remained constant in their devotion to Masaryk from the day he was appointed President of the infant Republic, after the Austrian Empire had crashed and lay broken in pieces as it fell. There have been more dazzling careers than his, for he was only ambitious to win back the political freedom which the Czechs lost in the Thirty Years' War, and had no thought of his own glory and aggrandisement. He had convinced himself that Czech aspirations could only be realised by the downfall of Austria; when the war came he at once went into exile, and worked might and main to win over the Governments of Great Britain and France to the cause which he held so sacred.

It is one thing to be a patriot Liberator; it is quite another to direct the helm for 17 years as to retain the unbroken confidence of a people and of its allies and friends. Under the guidance of Masaryk, a real "philosopher-king," Czechoslovakia has made great economic and social progress; she has retained even her currency on a stable footing; she has sought peace and ensued it—indulging no vain illusions—by a strengthening system of alliances and by a firm unwavering attachment to the League of Nations. Masaryk has enjoyed the inestimable advantage of having Dr. Benes as his Foreign Minister, like himself a Professor at Prague, and possessed of one of the coolest and shrewdest heads in Central Europe. It is no surprise, therefore, to find Dr. Benes recommended by name as his successor in Masaryk's letter of resignation on the specific ground that "we require a well-conducted foreign policy." A glance at the map of Europe shows Czechoslovakia thrusting deeply into the heart of the Reich, and Austria, Hungary, Rumania, and Poland all have contiguous frontiers. Benes, once observed that "whoever held Bohemia held the keys to Germany." Recent German comment on the treaty between the Soviet Republic and Čes-

PROPAGANDA BY ITALY

Clumsy Attempt In Britain

PAMPHLET ON SLAVERY

(By COL. MAURICE SPENCER, C.M.G., I.P.)

The Italian Government is making frantic efforts to bring over British public opinion to its side by circulating in vast numbers a pamphlet by a Rome professor purporting to describe the terrible conditions of slavery in Abyssinia. The pamphlet comes too late. Had it appeared before Abyssinia became of the League of Nations it would perhaps have carried weight. But it was Italy that insisted on her admission to the League, while Great Britain had considerable misgivings.

However, pledges were given by Abyssinia that slavery would gradually disappear, and those best competent to judge assure us that the Emperor has worked hard with considerable success to get rid of the evil.

Construction Conciliation

The pamphlet is somewhat of a boomerang for Italy. If it were true, why did Mussolini insist on the entry of Abyssinia into the League? His judgment must have been in fault, and he can hardly be a safe guide to-day. If it were true, why did not Mussolini bring the matter before the League, as he was bound to do by the terms of the Covenant?

The Italian propaganda is too crude to be effective. Lord Lugard has dismissed as "absolutely without any foundation whatever" the statement that in 1922 he was to have taken control of the Government and Administration of Ethiopia, as "Counsellor to the Negus," and the pamphlet as a whole does not ring true.

A Boomerang

Meanwhile the partisans of Italy in Great Britain are doing their best to dishonour her. Sir Samuel Hoare is said to be "tethered," which means that Britain has decided to stand by her pledged word in the Covenant. She is urged by the few English journals now admitted to Italy to substitute for sanctions "constructive conciliation on a broad practical basis." Instead of kicking out the burglar she is to bribe him to satisfy his honour.

It is to be hoped that Britain will stand fast in her opposition to buying "off" Mussolini. If this were done, it would create a dangerous precedent for other unscrupulous nations. There are grievances to be redressed and peaceful machinery exists for this purpose. It is for Great Britain to stand by the League and use its influence as a member to ensure that the documents to which it has appended its signature—the Covenant and the Peace Pact of Paris—shall not be thrown aside. Let not the word honour with its old meaning be banished from the vocabulary.

FIRE OUTBREAK IN QUEEN'S ROAD

Chinese Shop Guttured

Kan Yu Chen, a Chinese shop dealing in preserved meats and other foodstuffs at No. 3 Queen's Road Central, was the scene of a serious fire which destroyed the whole building yesterday. The first alarm was given at 6.10 a.m. when all of the inmates of the shop were in their beds. The ground and first floors of the shop were used as store and business premises, while the second floor was used as sleeping quarters.

Considerable excitement was caused when the twenty occupants on the second floor made their escape from the burning building. Excellent work on the part of the fire brigade saved all the occupants from injuries. Damage is estimated at over \$10,000. The shop has been insured with a Chinese company for \$6,000.

Czechoslovakia described the letter as "Russia's aircraft carrier." Of all the Succession States, therefore, Czechoslovakia requires most of all the "well-conducted foreign policy" for which the aged President pleaded. For that reason, the election of Dr. Benes as his successor is most warmly welcomed to all sincere supporters of the status quo at this troubled moment.

Here There and Everywhere

KING JOHN'S ALE

Possibly some momentary pang has been caused by the recent observation of a temperance speaker that King John died after drinking ale with a heavy meal.

However, matured ale is seldom lethal. If beer played any part in John's downfall, it was new beer, insufficiently matured.

The King, having lost his baggage in the Wash—or more properly the River Welland—is supposed to have consoled himself with a surfeit of peaches and new beer at the Abbey of Swinhead.

The meal brought on a slight attack of dysentery and the fatal "tyrant fever" lamented in Shakespeare.

In the Middle Ages, beer was drunk almost as soon as brewed. It would not, indeed, have been unusual if John had drunk ale straight from the vat.

AND QUEEN ELIZABETH'S

In the reign of Queen Elizabeth—who had a taste for beer so strong that "no man durst touch it"—regulations were made providing that beer should be matured not less than seven or eight hours. Nowadays the period of maturing varies from eight or nine days to two years. Occasionally beer is allowed to mature for 40 years or more.

King John's combination of peaches and beer would not, in any case, be approved, a brewing authority states, by a connoisseur of the drink.

There are, however, other combinations of fruit and ale which have been long appreciated. At Princes Risborough, for example, a traditional feast on the first Sunday in August is beer and cherry pie.

Beer and fruit juice were often combined in the old-fashioned refreshment "oatmeal dumplings." One hopes that this is still made somewhere in the Old Country.

Your Daily Smile!

An Aberdeen lady walked into a shop and bought an attractive case. When asked by the assistant if she wanted the case wrapped up, she replied: "Oh, no, thank you. Just put the paper and string inside."

Silence.

The country vicar was giving the milkmaid a lift home in his car, and when he came to her house he set her down. The girl proceeded to thank him. "Oh, don't mention it," said the vicar. The girl blushed and then replied, "All right, mum's the word."

JOHN GALSWORTHY'S CRUSADE

REMOVING FORSYTEISM FROM WORLD

PICTURES OF VICTORIAN MODES IN ENGLAND

(By J. B. Firth)

PROBABLY to the majority of English readers the name of John Galsworthy stands for the Forsyte Saga—and especially its marvellous presentation of well-to-do Victorianism in the 'eighties of last century.

That certainly is my own case, though I do not forget the many admirable Forsyteless novels and those challenging dramas—"The Silver Box," "Strife," "Escape," "Justice," and "The Skin Game," in which the author, as it were, not merely probed the conscience of his audiences but laid the fine whipcord of his lash across their backs.

Recently his biography, "The Life and Letters of John Galsworthy" (21s.), was published by Messrs. Heinemann. The author is Mr. H. V. Marrot. He has made conscientious use of his almost too abundant material.

"Why Don't You Write?"

Most authors who reach the topmost heights begin to write early. Galsworthy did not start till he was 28, and he said that even so he had started too soon.

At Harrow his distinctions were athletic; at Oxford he was satisfied to be considered the best-dressed man in New College and a popular member of the best University clubs. He moulded himself apparently on Whyte-Melville's heroes, and his talk was of horses and "form."

Next he lounged away a year or two in legal chambers, and was called to the Bar, and lest he should be enmeshed in a love affair with a girl, one who, in his own words, "would not have done at all," his wise father packed him off on sundry long voyages to distant parts—a thoroughly Forsytean procedure, it may be remarked, which answered in Galsworthy's case particularly well. It brought him into contact with Conrad, their first mate of the Tigris, sailing in the South

Seas, and also, as Galsworthy put it, "it preserved me for Her."

Casual Remark

All this, I say, was thoroughly Forsytean, and Galsworthy, born with a silver spoon in his mouth—seemed to be following the establish routine of a briefless barrister with wealthy commercial connections, and to be developing the ordinary tastes of the young man of the period. Then one day at a railway bookstall a friend casually remarked to him, "Why don't you write? You are just the person."

Such an idea, he says, had never occurred to him, but the seed thus dropped fell on good and fruitful ground. Moreover, it was a woman who dropped it—the same woman who afterwards became his wife and caused him to describe himself as "the most happily married man in the world."

That was in 1895, and the literary apprenticeship he then entered upon lasted about 10 years. Those years were also "the most spiritually stressful" of his life, and his whole outlook changed. Why? Because he found himself brought up hard against one of the most stubborn of Victorian conventions and prejudices—the sanctity of marriage.

The only woman in the world for him was already unhappily married to one of his cousins. His revulsion, therefore, against the Forsyte system was by no means impersonal. He felt that it mortally hurt John Galsworthy, and denied him the happiness which he craved.

Broke Chains

So they broke the chains and freed themselves—to the accompaniment of what family tempests is not disclosed, but their violence can be imagined from the fact that the Forsytes of "The Man of Property" are Galsworthy's family portraits, drawn to a recognisable outward likeness and with their characters depicted with more than spiritual fidelity.

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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



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ENGLAND THE VIOLATOR OF BELGIAN NEUTRALITY

Berlin.—The statement that it was Great Britain who violated the neutrality of Belgium at the beginning of the war and thus "compelled" Germany to march in is made in a "Handbook for German Soldiers" published in 1936 by an active army company commander, Captain Reibert, and recommended for the reading of new recruits.

The book begins with an outline of German history which throws novel light on the beginning of the war. The writer then says:

"Russia, France and Britain were united over the war. Although France and Russia had planned their attack on Germany not until 1917 (when their military preparations were to have been ready), the Serbian conflict was a welcome opportunity for them. Only Britain lacked a case for war, but that was soon found for British diplomacy."

On Two Fronts
Captain Reibert says that Germany was manoeuvred into a war on two fronts, and he plan of defence for this necessitated marching through Belgium.

"But although Belgium had been declared neutral, she refused to allow the German troops to enter, although they were willing to pay for any damage."

"Yet Belgium allowed both French and British troops on to her territory, and thus allied herself with the enemy Powers."

This passage adds: "The German Army was obliged to march into Belgium. This gave Britain the cause for the war which she had been seeking. Although she herself had violated Belgium's neutrality Britain declared war on Germany on the pretence of defending it."

POLICE RESERVE

Orders For The Current Week

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police, Indian Company.

Training Course—Part II: All recruits of the Indian Company will attend Indian Company Headquarters on Tuesday, January 21 at 17.30 hours, for instruction.

Inspection Parade: All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Central Police Station on Wednesday, January 22 at 17.30 hours under Sub-Inspector R. J. Hunt for a general inspection of equipment etc. by the Company Commander. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brass "Tomahawks," "Pocket Policeman" and note-book to be carried. The Equipment Officer will make a point of being present.

Training Course—Part III: Members of the Flying Squad will attend Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday, January 22 at 17.15 hours to fire the Park III Revolver Course under Sub-Inspector Hopkins.

Instructional Patrol: The next instructional patrol for members of the Flying Squad will take place on Friday, January 24, 1936. Members will parade at Central Police Station at 17.30 hours sharp. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover.

Emergency Unit Reserve.

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D. L. KING,
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Hong Kong, Monday, January 20, 1936.

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

A modern public address system is being installed at the Denver municipal airport.

FILM SHOWING STRENGTH OF RED ARMY

Special Screening In Paris For French And Soviet Officers

Paris.—To a privileged audience, consisting of officers of the French and Soviet armies, a film showing the Russian Army on manoeuvres in September was shown here recently.

The film showed the great strength of the Soviet in fighting aeroplanes and tanks.

YOUNG COUPLE MAROONED ON BARREN ISLAND

Multi-Millionaire On Travel Honeymoon

\$5,000,000 CASTAWAYS

Brisbane (Queensland).—Mr. George Vanderbilt, 21-year-old American multi-millionaire, and his bride have been stranded on an uninhabited island off the Queensland coast for two days and two nights.

The Vanderbilts are on a honeymoon trip that is taking them round the world.

At Lady Musgrave Island, in the coral belt off this coast, they left their yacht and went ashore. Then the yacht returned to the mainland for some stores.

A violent storm arose. The yacht could not make the island. And there, for two days and two nights, the young couple were cut off from the civilised world.

They made a rude shelter and waited till the weather became calm enough for their friends to rescue them.—Reuter.

Inherited \$4,000,000.

Mr. George Vanderbilt, son of the late Mr. Gwynne Vanderbilt, was married to Miss Lucille Parsons early last September at West Orange, New Jersey. Fifteen hundred guests were present at the ceremony.

On the bridegroom's 21st birthday, September 24, he inherited 20,000,000 dol. (\$4,000,000). He will get 20,000,000 dol. more when he is 35.

14 KILLED IN FEUD FIGHT

Tribal "Vendetta" In Anatolia

SETTLING OLD SCORES

Ankara (Angora).—A pitched battle, in which 200 people, intent on wiping out old scores in an Anatolian "vendetta," took part, has resulted in the deaths of fourteen people near Diarbekir (Southern Anatolia).

Twelve others are seriously injured. A 25-year-old farmer named Salih cherished a grudge against Nedjmi, another young farmer who belonged to a neighbouring village.

After a violent quarrel at market, Salih fired a number of shots at his "enemy," killing him on the spot.

The day following the funeral, relatives of the victim, together with friends and partisans, decided to avenge him, and attacked Salih's house.

A combat between the rival clans ensued, revolvers, knives, axes, daggers, and other weapons being used.

Police rushed to the spot and succeeded in stopping the fight.—Reuter.

"Well-Trained" Twins

Toronto, Ontario.—Canada is claiming another "baby record"—twin girls have been born on a Canadian National Railway train to Mrs. Adalgisa Ricoli, the 30-year-old wife of an Ontario railway foreman.

The children were born as the train roared between the towns of Washago and Beaverton, and the train conductor acted as obstetrician. All three are doing well.

"TRADER HORN"

CURSE SAID TO DOG ACTORS IN NOTED PICTURE

Rinaldo Threatened With Deportation

PRESIDENT APPEALED TO FOR CLEMENCY

Hollywood.—In an effort to save Duncan Renaldo, star of the film "Trader Horn" from deportation from America, prominent film actors here have sent an appeal to President Roosevelt.

The petitioners include Jack Oakie and Hoot Gibson.

By their action they hope to free Mr. Renaldo from what is called the "Trader Horn" curse—the evil spell which seems to dog the footsteps of some of those who took leading parts in the jungle picture.

It is for forging an affidavit to a passport before sailing for Africa to take part in the film that Duncan Renaldo now stands in danger of being deported.

Prison Sentence

He was found guilty of this act in 1933, and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, to be followed by deportation. His prison sentence expires in January.

Besides being blamed for Renaldo's prison sentence, the "Trader Horn" curse is said to be the cause of his matrimonial troubles.

Soon after his return from playing in the picture in Africa, his wife sued Miss Edwina Booth, the leading woman in the film, alleging alienation of her husband's affections.

She claimed \$10,000 damages from Miss Booth, and the suit has not yet been settled.

Miss Booth, too, has had many troubles besides this lawsuit since he made the film. She returned to America suffering from a mysterious tropical disease which kept her an invalid. Her father took her to London for treatment.

NEW RUM COCKTAIL REQUIRED

Government Research In United States

Washington.—The United States Government is anxious to discover a new type of cocktail.

The idea is to popularise the rum produced in the Virgin Islands.

"This has been revealed by the Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Harold Ickes, in a talk to newspapermen. One of his assistants, he explained, was at work on a "Virgin Islands Cocktail" and was "doing all the testing himself."

Mr. Ickes stated that the new drink was being sponsored by the Public Works Administration, which has financed a distillery to produce the island's famous brown rum. The rum was a source of wealth to the natives.

"KNOCK-OUT LOUIS"

Chicago.—Joe Louis, who recently defeated Paulino Escudé, will have a knock-out number plate on his motorcar when he drives next year.

It is officially announced that 25 special licence plates will be allocated to Michigan State in the New Year. They will bear a letter and a number. Louis was given the number plate "K.O."

To-day's Short Story

The Weed Sack

By Josephine Johnson

SEEDS of the cockle, dry-burred and rough. Dangerous seeds which, ground-up, might poison. Seeds of the quack grass, slippery and straw-coloured. False oat seeds that take good soil or bad, flourish in rain or drought, and rain land. Grooved seeds of the daisy—black and white seeds that make a further swear.

Old Kale Brian went stooping along the pasture path, and the dust came up in a grey smoke around his feet and sank back in still air. He stooped from side to side along the path and moved out away into the pasture where a drying clump of thistles was broken on the ground. He pulled off the grey thistle-flowers and shoved them down, dry seedling stuff in his sack.

Thistle seed ruined land fast. Thistle seed, and cockle with its green and flabby leaves. No matter how good this Warren Nickels' land, thistle seed would take it in the end. "Let him swear to dig and knife it," the old man mumbled. "Let him have sun on his head, Lord, and the salt in his teeth. Let him work as I've worked. Let him feel sky swimming in his head, and his stomach heave. Let him know noon sun on his head, O Lord!"

It would be rich land this Warren Nickels' owned. Rich bottom land, and level. Fall-ploughed and waiting for the seed. And there would be high land and slopes where the winter wheat came green in long even rows. No man with money would work hill country—gravel ground and mullein-rooted. Mullein; there was the one weed he'd forgotten. Mulleins had a pretty flower, yellow and cup-shaped, and the big woolly leaves were like giant rabbit ears, but the seed—ah God! the seeds were like rabbit teeth, gnawing at the land. Hand-rooting you'll have to do, Warren Nickels, each giant plant rooted out by hand (in the sun, Lord—make him do it in the sun), and the sky seeds burrowing where the stalk falls.

Kale shook the high stalks down in the dark mouth of his sack, and they fell with a dry rustling quiet in among the other seeds. Then he picked up the long sack, wide and stuffed, but curiously light, bobbing on his shoulder like a little mound of straw. He peered around him once more, searching with his pale old eyes.

All about him the pasture stretched for acres, dry and dusty, with white stones cropping from the

earth and the asters dead as hay. The path was soft with dust from grinding of the cows' feet, but the other earth cracked and hard as stone. Drought land. Hill country, and no rain for three months. He looked down where the steers moved along the dry creek-bed, switching at files and hunting for the stake pools. Their bones jutted out sharp enough to cut the hide, and the skin fell in wrinkled folds where the flesh was parched away. Dust powdered all weeds along the path.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Shooting Of Constable Sluggers," by Lord Dunsany.

Down at the hill foot, where the house was, he could see Wolf moving around in the potato field, hacking the dead, and shrivelled plants in a wandering way, or stopping to rest his hands on the hoe; Jamie crawled after him between the potato stalks, and dragged his cracked little feet in the dust.

Jamie was grown and skinny as a beagle, with his spine showing twisted in hard buttons down his back. Brian heard his shrill child-voice come up through the air. "Where's grampaw?" he heard Jamie ask, and Wolf answer, "I dunno," in a mumble. "Gone wandering. Picking things. Up to something."

"I seen a white bug walking on the elum leaf, Pop—a white bug like a flour-pinch. What would make a white bug like that, huh, Pop?"

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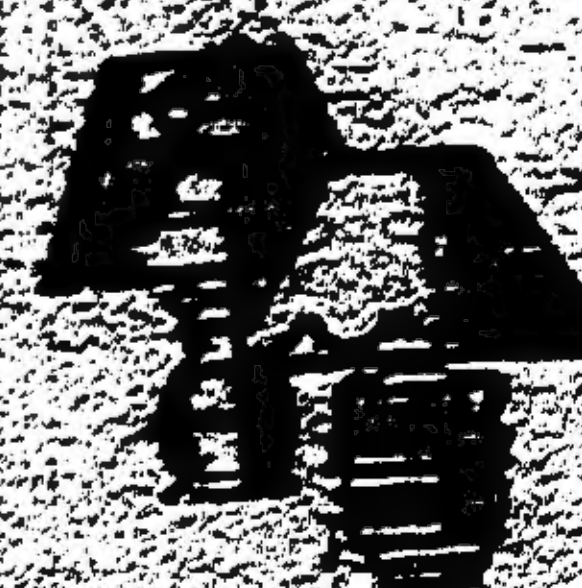
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MR. HU HAN-MIN
ARRIVESGreeted By China's
Officials
VETERAN LEADER ISSUES
STATEMENT

When Mr. Hu Han-min, the elected Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Nanjing Central Kuomintang Executive Committee, arrived in the Colony yesterday by the m.v. Victoria from Europe, he was met by a large number of prominent statesmen from Canton, Shanghai and Nanking, including Marshal Chan Chai-tong (Canton) and Mr. Chu Cheng, President of the Judicial Yuan on behalf of Nanking and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

Very elaborate precautions were taken by the authorities to guard against any untoward incident and, although there were almost a dozen flag-bedecked launches in the harbour awaiting the arrival of the Victoria, only three members of the "reception committee," Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Mr. Tsang Hsiao, Superintendent of the Chinese Maritime Customs in Shanghai, and Mr. Ng Chi-fu, a relative of Mr. Hu, were allowed to board the vessel.

Mr. Hu and a large number of the party then boarded the Governor's launch Britannia, which traversed the harbour to Queen's Pier to the accompaniment of fireworks from other launches. Three Police launches followed the Britannia across the harbour, while mingled with the crowd in the city were numerous police officers and plain-clothed detectives. A detachment of traffic police escorted the party to Mr. Hu's residence in Conduit Road, and after friends had paid their respects Mr. Hu went to two receptions—one in the China Building and one at the Hotel Cecil.

Crisis in China

At the reception given in the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building, Mr. Hu Han-min was the guest of the Chinese unofficial members of the Legislative Council including Sir Chou-son Chow, Mr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. S. W. Tso, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chan and the Hon. Mr. K. L. Lo. The reception at the Hotel Cecil was given by Hong Kong associations and residents. Mr. Hu spoke briefly and thanked the hosts, adding that China was passing through an unprecedented crisis at the moment and it was the Kuomintang's duty to work for the salvation of the country.

Principles Unchanged

Though he was not interviewed by the Press, Mr. Hu issued a statement in Chinese and English which re-affirmed his attitude towards the future of China and the government. The statement reads as follows:

"It is more than six months since I left China for reasons of health. In the course of those months I was unable fully to restore my health, but I have been informed throughout of the trying experiences and difficult problems which China has to encounter. The national crisis has promoted me to return.

"In regard to what policy the Party and Government should pursue, I must say I still hold the principles which I have already laid down in my many utterances and writings of the last few years. Briefly speaking, the Party should restore its original principles. It should eliminate the errors and mistakes it has made in the past in order that its unfinished tasks may be resumed and accomplished. The Government must become responsible and efficient if China is to weather the present crisis. It is by following these principles that I consider we will be able to observe our duties to our people and to our beloved leader, this late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

"I regret to say that in the last few months I have been unable to do as much work for China as I wished, yet, wherever I have been I have accumulated impressions which I shall find occasion to make public in the future."

MARRIED A JEW—SO
DEPRIVED OF CHILD

Berlin.—A Bremen mother has been deprived of her child by court order because she has married a Jew.

The child, an illegitimate girl, aged 10, is to be brought up in a "purely Aryan" home.



Nino Martini, whose glorious voice is heard to perfection in "Here's to Romance," which opens at the King's Theatre to-day, is here seen with lovely Genevieve Tobin, Anita Louise and Maria Gambarelli, who appear with him in the film.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The a.s. President Coolidge is scheduled to sail from Hong Kong for Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco/Los Angeles, at midnight on Friday next, instead of at noon on Saturday next as previously scheduled.

It is notified that a constant water supply will be given in Hong Kong and Kowloon on Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week, in connection with the Chinese New Year celebrations.

The R.E.O.C.A. held another of their popular fortnightly dances on Saturday evening at the China Fleet Club, when over 150 couples were present. The music was supplied by the band of the Royal Ulster Rifles.

The weekly whist drive in aid of the Sherkung Lepers, which has been held every Monday evening at the Seaman's Institute, is cancelled until further notice.

At the next meeting of the Rotary Club, to-morrow, the speaker will be Mr. R. D. Walker, M.C., and his subject "The Canton-Hankow Railway."

Owing to the request of many of those who wish to attend both the lecture on "Night Photography" and later the performance of "Lady Precious Stream" next Wednesday night, the University Photographic Club has decided to hold the lecture earlier, at 7.30 p.m. instead of 8 p.m., as stated in yesterday's paper. Members and friends are asked to note the change.

ALL-IN WRESTLING
"MOSTLY FAKE"

Police Officer's View

STATEMENT TO LONDON
COUNTY COUNCIL

"All-in wrestling attracts a tough crowd, the lowest type of manhood," declared Police-Sergeant Hilton at a meeting of the London County Council Entertainments Committee. The Committee was considering the renewal of music, dancing, and boxing licences for Mare-street, Hackney.

Sir Cecil Levitt: "Is this all-in wrestling genuine or a put-up job?" Hilton: "Most of it is a fake. Asked if he had seen any real injury, the officer said that he once saw a wrestler charge his opponent with his head down and go right through the ropes when the man sidestepped."

"That does not seem to be a fake," said a member. "It seemed to be the only genuine thing," replied the officer. No appearance was made for the club. The Committee decided to renew the licences for three months.

GERMAN APPRENTICES
NOT TO SMOKE

Berlin.—The Guild of German Handicraftsmen has decided that apprentices smoke too much, and that their health suffers as well as their pockets. Therefore all employers of apprentices throughout the country have been circularised not to permit smoking on their premises.

WHERE THE MONEY GOES

Most of the larger transport planes of to-day burn about 30 gallons of gasoline every hour.

CHINESE WEDDING
IN KOWLOON
TSANG-CHUNGTWO WELL-KNOWN FAMILIES
UNITED

Miss May Chung and Mr. Samuel Koon-cook Tsang, B.A., were married on Saturday afternoon at All Saints' Church, the Rev. Lee Kan-yan officiating.

The bride, who is a former pupil of the French Convent, is the fifth daughter of Doctor Chung Chuen-sun, indoor doctor of the Chinese Seaman's Institute, and Mrs. Chung Chuen-sun.

The bridegroom is the eldest son of the Rev. Tsang Kei-nok, pastor of All Saints' Church at Homantin. He is a graduate of the Hong Kong University (Faculty of Arts) and is, at present, a teacher at the Junior Technical Institute, Happy Valley.

Silver Bridal Gown

The bride, who entered the Church on the arm of her father, looked charming in a white satin wedding gown trimmed with silver. Her long tulle veil, embroidered with silver threads, was held in place by a silver tiara. She carried a bouquet of white camellias.

Miss Julia Suet-ching Tsang, sister of the bridegroom, was bridesmaid, and wore a shell pink satin dress trimmed with silver threads. She carried a sheaf of pink gladioli.

The Misses Phyllis and Beatrice Tsang as flower girls wore pink satin dresses with bonnets to match, and carried posies of pink roses.

The page boys, Masters David and Johnny Tsang, wore black and white satin suits.

The Best Man

The bride's mother wore Chinese ceremonial dress. The duties of best man were undertaken by Mr. Chow Ngai-chung, B.A. Appropriate music was played on the organ by Mrs. Wong Yankwong.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Nathan Hotel in Kowloon, and later the newly-wed couple left for Canton. On leaving, Mrs. Tsang wore a red velvet dress with shoes and gloves to match.

ULTRA COLOUR
PHOTOGRAPHYBroadcast Talk From
Germany

An item of news that should prove of interest to local amateur photographers who possess wireless receiving sets is that on Wednesday next at 11.30 p.m. (4.30 p.m. Central European time) an interesting talk on "Ultra Colour Photography" will be broadcast to the Far East from the factory of the Deutsche Farbenhandels-gesellschaft (German Dye Industry Company) of which Messrs. Walbel and Co. ("De-fag") are the local agents.

CLIMB INSIDE
CRATERScientists Surprised
By Eruption
HAZARDOUS FEAT

Moscow.

Seven Russian scientists climbed Klucheyevskaya, in Kamchatka, the highest active volcano in Europe and Asia. Sixteen thousand feet up they reached the mouth of the crater. It is 500ft. deep.

They entered and began to go down. They took photographs as they went. Suddenly there was an eruption. The crater was filled with sulphur fumes and gases.

State of Collapse. The scientists carried on oxygen. They fought their way back to the top of the crater. When they reached safety they were in a state of collapse.

Their journey lasted in all four days and they obtained important scientific information. The expedition was sponsored by the Academy of Sciences and led by Professor Koulikov.

GIRL GUIDES IN
HONG KONGAnnual Report
IssuedENCOURAGING PROGRESS
OF MOVEMENT

The report of the Girl Guides Association of Hong Kong for 1934-35 has just been issued. In addition to a full general report of the year's activities, the officers in charge of each of the respective companies in Hong Kong contribute additional notes on the work accomplished, so that the publication is a very full record of the activities of the local Association, of which Lady Southern, O. B. E., is the Colony Commissioner.

In her foreword the Commissioner states that if she let herself go she could write a three-volume novel on the Guide happenings of the past year, but she contents herself with but a bare statement of some of the more important activities.

There was a slight drop in numbers (423 against 433) in 1935 as against 1934, but, in the words of the Commissioner, "I do not think we need regard this as an adverse sign. There is always a serious loss of Brownies when a Regiment leaves Hong Kong until Brownies from the incoming Regiment take their places."

Sincere thanks are expressed to all who take an interest in and help the movement locally.

COUNTERFEITING
WELL EQUIPPED
PREMISESNewcomer In
Trouble

Four charges of possession of moulds for counterfeiting Hong Kong silver dollars and 10-cent pieces, and possession of counterfeit coins of the same denominations, were preferred against Wong Lun, aged 31, unemployed, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The defendant, who pleaded guilty to all the charges, was given a total of five years' hard labour.

Mr. E. H. Williams, the Assistant Attorney-General, said that the defendant was probably a newcomer to the Colony, but he "would like to point out the seriousness of the case. When the police visited the premises accused was seen holding a bit of plaster of Paris and a chatty in his hand. Apparently he was about to experiment with some metal. He had a complete apparatus on the premises."

REDUCED SENTENCE
FOR YOUTHCounterfeit Coin Case
At Sessions

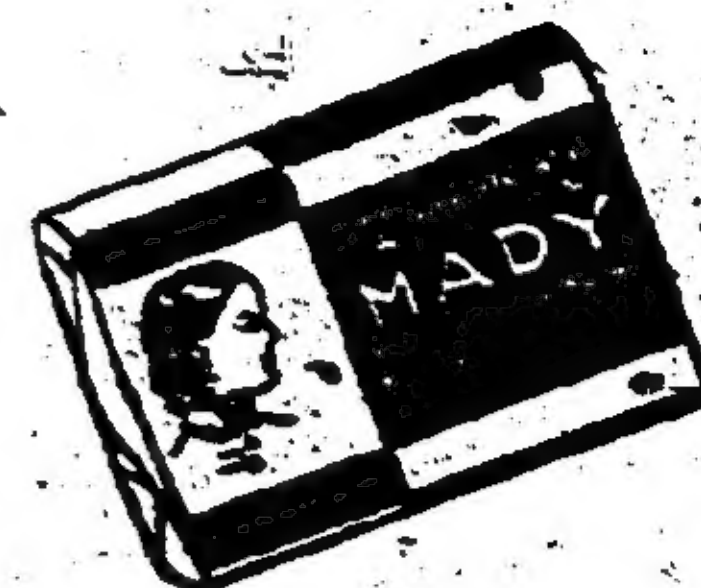
"It is probable that he is one of those people who carry coins for people in Canton to Hong Kong. He is not the principal, but merely a carrier, and, though he told the Police, he is only 16, he looks about 18 or 19 and is therefore very young," said Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General at the Criminal Sessions this morning when Chan Him was charged with importing 182 counterfeit ten-cent pieces into the Colony on November 22, last.

Defendant, who was arrested on the Hong Kong-Canton and Macao Steamboat Wharf, pleaded guilty, and in passing sentence, the Judge, Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, said: "As you are a very young man I will give you a reduced sentence of 18 months' hard labour."

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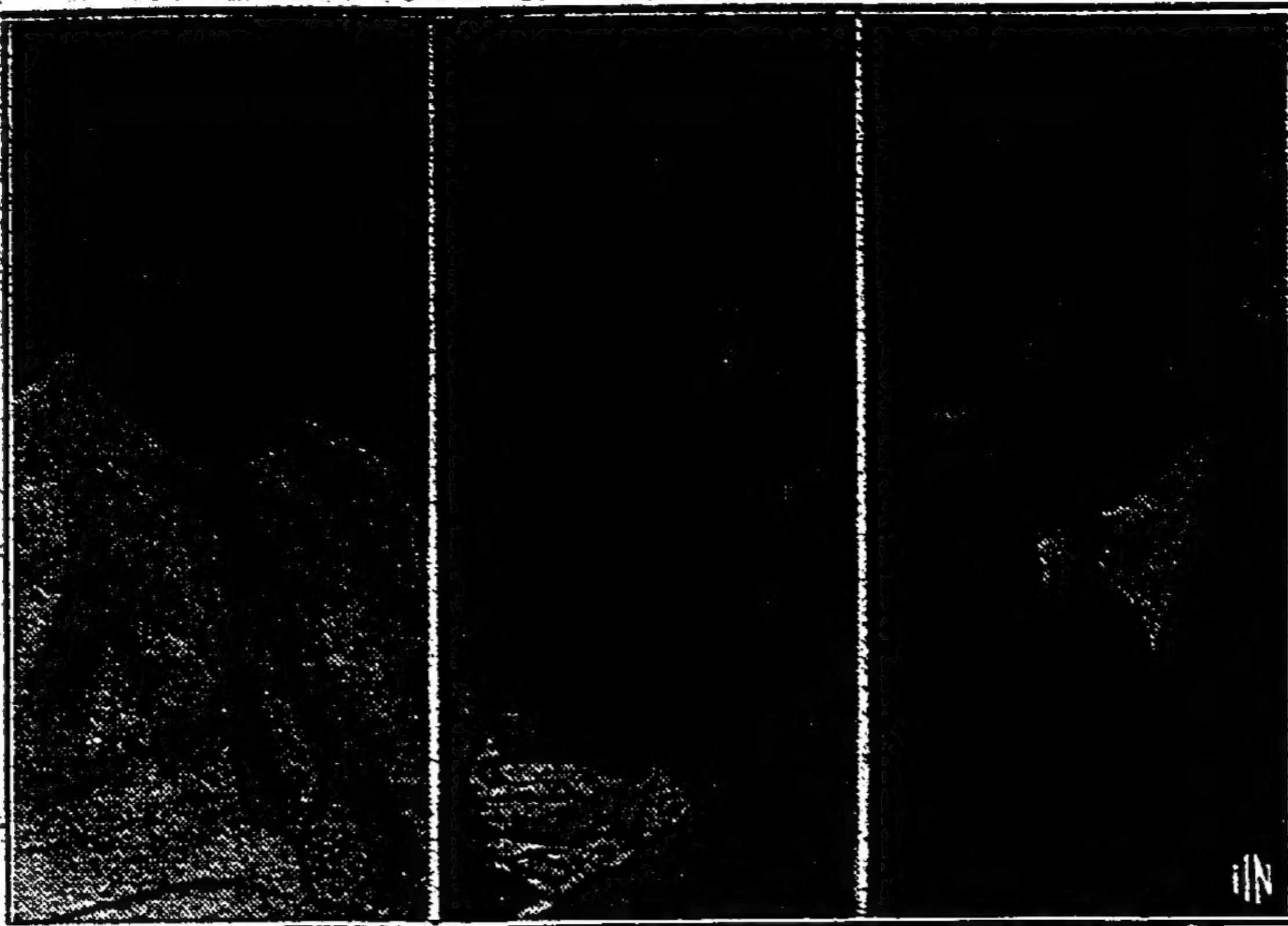
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Ellis Parker (left), famed Burlington County, New Jersey, detective, has been working on new Lindbergh case since with Governor Harold G. Hoffman (right) of New Jersey, admitting doubts concerning the sole guilt of Bruno Hauptmann (centre), whom he visited in the Trenton, New Jersey, death cell. One of the cases is a letter from Buffalo, New York, which purports to confess the kidnapping. A Reuter's cable received last Friday stated that Hauptmann had been granted a respite of 30 days.

MAN'S ATTACKS ON GIRLS

London Police
Hunt

CHILDREN LURED INTO
DOORWAYS

The Metropolitan Police were searching last month for a man who is believed to be responsible for a series of attacks on young girls in the Central London and Islington districts recently.

The latest case was when a man stopped a girl aged 14 in Red Lion-square and persuaded her to go with him into an empty church. This followed a number of similar outrages.

In one case a man approached two girls, aged 5 and 3, and a boy aged 5, and, giving the boy a penny to buy sweets, took the girls into the doorway of a badly lit warehouse in Iron-monger-row, E.C.

Medical Examination

On another occasion a man told two girls, aged 7 and 5, that he had to take them to a school for medical examination. On the staircase of a school in White Lion-street he was frightened by the approach of several people and bolted.

Another girl, aged 10, was lured into empty premises in Upper-street, Islington.

Police inquiries failed to obtain any useful description of the assailant. They were questioning caretakers and others who might have seen the man.

MURDER VERDICT RETURNED

Mummified Body In
Padlocked House

A verdict of murder against a person or persons unknown was returned at the inquest at Boyle, co. Roscommon, on Saturday, on Patrick Henry, aged 65, an Irish-American. His body, badly burned and bearing many wounds, was found in the fireplace of the house at Great Meadow, Boyle, in which he had lived with another man.

Police-sergeant Reynolds stated that there were bloodstains on the floor and bedsteads. The front door was padlocked and had to be burst open, while the back door was secured with an iron bar and the handle of a shovel. Witness added that he had the impression that the body was placed in the fireplace.

Missing for Months
Thomas Mayne, who identified the body, said that a man who had lived with Henry had been missing since the middle of September.

Medical evidence was that the body was dried and mummified. Death appeared to have been caused by a violent blow with a blunt instrument, and to have taken place three months ago.

BRITISH CHEF'S RECORD

Sixteen Medals Won
At Olympia

British chefs created a record in the Hotel, Restaurant and Catering Exhibition at Olympia last month by winning more medals in the cookery competitions than chefs of any other nationality. The results were:

Silver cups: Italians 2; gold medals: British 3, Italians 6, French 2, Swiss 2, Belgians 1; silver medals: British 8, French 5, Italians 2, Swiss 2.

By winning the two special silver-cups for work in sugar, the Italians secured eight first places compared with seven by the British.

An international jury of chefs was unable, after seven and a half hours, to decide between the only two competitors for a completely laid luncheon or dinner table, and the cup was not awarded.

French chefs at a Birmingham hotel received, instead, a gold medal and money prize, and the Swiss chefs at a Kensington hotel a silver medal and a money prize.

PRIVY COUNCIL SUMMONED

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ter for about an hour. The Lord High Chancellor, Lord Halsbury, also visited Mr. Baldwin yesterday afternoon. The Duke of York has returned to London to visit the Duchess, who has not yet fully recovered from her recent illness. The Duke returns to Sandringham to-day. The Duke of Kent arrived at Sandringham yesterday and the Archbishop of Canterbury is also at Sandringham. British Wireless Service.

TURNED UP IN PYJAMAS

Man Of 70 Saves
Child's Life

DIVE INTO ZOO LAKE

A 70-year-old man arrived at a conference at Bristol recently clad only in his pyjamas and a coat.

Another delegate disclosed that he dived the night before into the lake at a zoo to save a child from drowning. And his clothes were not yet dry.

The conference was the High Court of the Ancient Order of Foresters. The 70-year-old delegate was Mr. E. Hurrell, of Rosaire-avenue, Guernsey.

Mr. Hurrell was very modest about his adventure. To the conference he merely said, "I only did my duty."

Rescue Described
Later he was persuaded to tell more about it.

"I was sitting near the lake," he said, "when the child fell in. She sank at once, and I could not bear to see a little girl go under a second time, so I dived in after her. I was once a good swimmer, but have not done any swimming for over twenty years or so.

"I remembered, however, that in rescuing anyone it was advisable to turn on one's back. I clasped the little girl by the arms and turned on my back.

A Kiss
"I then saw that a long hook was being held out to me. I grasped it and was pulled in to the side.

"It was all over in a few seconds, and when I got out the little girl flung her arms around my neck and kissed me."

The delegate who disclosed the rescue told the conference that the water was about nine feet deep.

TWO DEAD ACTORS

Hayden Coffin Sued
Bromley Challenor

A judgment summons issued by Hayden Coffin, the actor and singer, against Bromley Challenor, the comedian, was mentioned at Marylebone County Court recently. Both had died since the summons was taken out—Mr. Coffin on Dec. 8 and Mr. Challenor a few days later.

The claim was for £12 for services rendered in a theatrical production.

Mr. Reginald Knight (for the judgment creditor) said that in the circumstances he would apply for the summons to be withdrawn. The Judge (Sir Mordaunt Snares) agreed.

WOMAN DEAD IN HOTEL

Mrs. Sophie Armstrong, wife of a district commissioner in Fiji, was last month found dead in a hotel in the West End of London.

FOUND DYING IN SHOP

Charles Anderson, aged 78, of Stanhope-street, Highgate, Birmingham, found last month in a shop with head injuries, died later in hospital.

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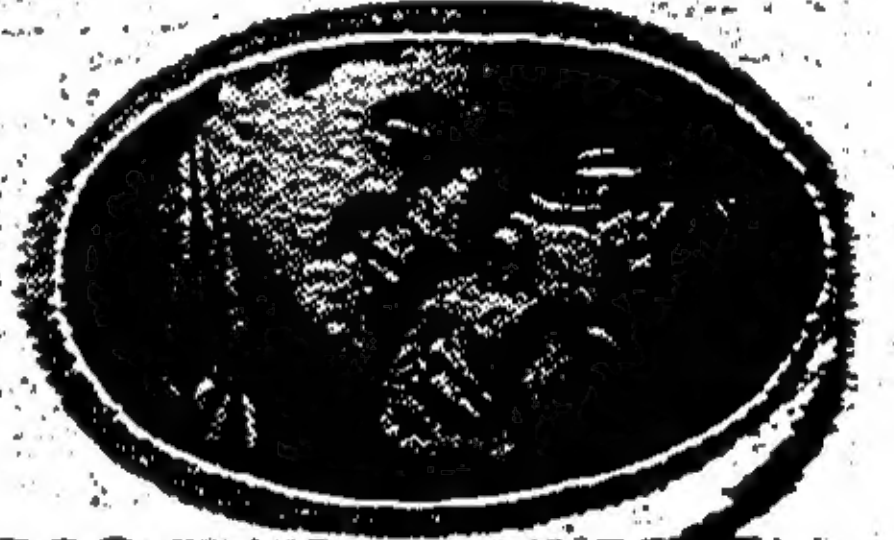
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in "NEVER TOO LATE"
with Thelma White—Robert Frazer
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